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## ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Special Meeting Held in  
Room 4 F 21, CIA Headquarters Building

1000 hours, 27 November 1963

### PRESENT:

Dr. Otto E. Guthe, CIA, Chairman

[REDACTED] CIA, Vice Chairman

25X1A9a Morris H. Crawford, Department of State

25X1A9a [REDACTED] Defense Intelligence Agency

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William C. Andrews, Department of the Army

25X9A8 CDR. William D. Robertson, Department of the Navy

[REDACTED] National Security Agency

[REDACTED] CIA, Executive Secretary

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### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the EIC meeting of 27 August 1963 (EIC-M-101) were approved.

### DCID 1/3, PRIORITY NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE OBJECTIVES:

The Chairman referred to his memorandum of 19 November 1963 to the EIC Representatives of the USIB Agencies and to the attached instructions (USIB-AM 63/45) providing guidance for the Committee in preparing its report on implementation of DCID 1/3. He explained that Mr. Bross, Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence Programs Evaluation, desired an informative report, if necessary interim in nature.

The Chairman requested the views of members as to whether the EIC should undertake immediately the preparation of Priority National Economic

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Intelligence Objectives (PNEIOs) as an amplification of the PNIOs and the Quarterly Supplement in order to identify those aspects of the PNIOs that are clearly in the economic intelligence field. The Chairman stated that he had requested the Economic Research Area of ORR to prepare a draft identifying critical problems that exist and that the EIC might wish to isolate in general terms those deficiencies in collection and analysis that require exceptional priority effort. The Chairman proposed that this draft be circulated to members for any suggestions they might have. He stated that this would be a short exercise and that by preparing this amplification of the PNIOs, guidance would be provided in identifying for further consideration those areas on which action should be taken.

It was generally agreed that normally the PNIOs usually postdate actions that have already been initiated. The usual situation in the economic intelligence field is that program and collection changes made are in accordance with but not as a result of the PNIOs.

Considerable discussion followed on the content of the interim report. It was agreed that a statement would be included that the Committee would attempt to identify the critical problems and to isolate those aspects of each problem that require exceptional action. Several views pertaining to the questions included in the instructions and to the EIC's role in implementing the PNIOs were expressed at the meeting. The Chairman stated that he wished to be informed of exceptional actions that the individual agencies have taken that are responsive to the PNIOs.

The Chairman stated that he would prepare a draft interim report incorporating members views for forwarding to the USIB Secretariat for Mr. Bross, and for circulation to the EIC members for their concurrence.



Executive Secretary

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